

مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 26 December 2003 – 08:00 27 December 2003

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injuries	2	6	8	Incl. 5 child., 1 Isr. & 1 Amer.
Physical Assaults	4	—	4	Incl. 2 children
Attacks	4	2	6	
Raids	13	1	14	
Arrests (per person)	17	—	17	Incl. 1 fem., 2 child., 3 officers
Detention	1	—	1	Hundreds of civil. at checkpnt.
House Occupations	8	—	8	6 buildings and 2 houses
Curfews	2	—	2	
Checkpoints	All	—	All	
Flying Checkpoints	5	—	5	
Closures (per District)	4	—	4	
Closure of Main Roads	Most	(4)	Most	
Closure of Wall Gates	All	—	All	Permits required to cross
Closure of Crossing Points	—	3	3	1 Partially open to workers
Religious Obstruction	1	—	1	
Demonstrations	2	—	2	Against separation wall
TOTAL	63	12	75	

DISTRICT	EVENT
WEST BANK	
JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The city of Jerusalem remains closed to residents from other districts. The Israeli army intensified its presence in East Jerusalem, preventing civilians from reaching Al Aqsa Mosque for Friday prayers. • Separation Wall Construction: Construction of the wall in Al Tur, Al Shayyah, Abu Dis, Al Sawahira, and Al Eizariya was suspended for the weekend. • Israeli Restrictions: Israeli authorities announced that a strict closure has been imposed on the West Bank and the Gaza Strip.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checkpoint: The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the village of Beitin, preventing civilians from crossing throughout the day. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 12:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Kafr 'Ein. (ii) The Israeli army raided the city of El Bireh, searched 1 civilian house and arrested 1 civilian. • Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Muhammad Abu Falah Nada in El Bireh. • Demonstration: The Israeli army prevented a demonstration organized by Palestinian and international peace activists from taking place at the separation wall near the village of Budrus and fired tear gas grenades to disperse protesters.
JENIN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: Jenin city is a closed military area. • Separation Wall Gates: The village of Barta'a, located behind the separation wall, is under strict closure. Doctors, basic food supplies and milk have not been allowed into the village. Schools are closed because teachers have been unable to reach the village. • Checkpoint: The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at 'Arraba junction, arrested a female civilian from the village of Seida and transferred her to Ar Ramla women's prison. • Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Abir Mahmoud Odeh, female, at 'Arraba junction. • Detention: The Israeli army detained hundreds of civilians at Al Tayasir checkpoint.

JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activity not yet reported
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The southern entrance (Al Nashash area) of the city remains closed, cutting Bethlehem off from the Hebron district. (ii) The Israeli army closed the Wadi Nar checkpoint, separating Bethlehem from the central districts. • Attack: At 23:40, the Israeli army opened fire from the settlement of Gillo towards the northern part of 'Ayda refugee camp.
TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Separation Wall Gates: Al Kafriyat gate remains closed, isolating the district of Qalqiliya from Tulkarem. • Checkpoint: At 13:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance of Al Jarushiya village and checked civilian IDs. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:00, and again at 16:00 and 17:25, the Israeli army raided the city of Tulkarem from several entrances and took up positions in a number of neighborhoods. (ii) At 20:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Bal'a, opened fire and set up a flying checkpoint at the junction of Bal'a/ 'Anabta. (iii) At 19:40, the Israeli army raided the village of Shufa and remained in the village for 1 hour.
NABLUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: Nablus is a closed military area. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:30, the Israeli army, positioned in Nablus city since yesterday, imposed curfew over the city, opened intensive fire, searched several houses, raided and searched a Palestinian Ministry of Health veterinary lab, occupied 6 buildings and 2 civilian houses, detained civilians in an olive factory, and arrested 9 civilians, including 1 officer. (ii) At 12:15, the Israeli army threw tear gas grenades at civilians praying in the Rafeedya mosque. A large number of worshipers were injured due to tear gas inhalation. (iii) At 13:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit Furik, opened fire at civilians leaving the mosque and arrested 2 civilians, including a child. (iv) At 15:50, the Israeli army raided Balata refugee camp, searched several houses and arrested 3 civilians, including 1 Palestinian officer. (v) The Israeli army raided the village of Sarra, searched 1 house and arrested a child.

	<p>(vi) The Israeli army raided the town of Jamma'in and arrested 1 police officer.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 9 civilians from the city of Nablus: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Ayman Al Tashtush; (ii) Amir Al Dir'i; (iii) Shadi Makhluף; (iv) Ahmad Abu Sharkh; (v) Jabir Abu Kishik; (vi) Ala' Jum'a; (vii) Anan Jum'a, a Palestinian officer; (viii) Ahmad Mahmoud; and (ix) Muhannad Mansur. <p>The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians from the town of Beit Furik:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (x) Abed Nasasra, 17 years old; and (xi) Yehya Tahi Hannani, 45 years old. <p>The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians from Balata refugee camp:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (xii) Lu'ay Al Dasuqi, 25 years old; (xiii) Khalil Al Baba, 25 years old; and (xiv) Ma'zuz Al Haj, a member of Palestinian National Security. <p>The Israeli army arrested 1 child from the village of Sarra:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (xv) Rami Mustafa Al Turabi, 15 years old. <p>The Israeli army arrested 1 police officer from the town of Al Jamma'in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (xvi) Mahdi Sa'adeh, 22 years old.
HEBRON	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not yet reported.
QALQILYA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Separation Wall Gates: Passage through the separation wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits which are based on no specific criteria. This Israeli closure continues to harm the education process since teachers, amongst others, are not granted access through the gates, particularly in areas located behind the separation wall.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checkpoint: At 17:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the entrance of Al Zawiya village, obstructing movement of vehicles. • Raid: At 14:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Mas-ha and imposed curfew on the village. • Demonstration: At 12:50, a demonstration organized by Israeli and international peace activists took place in the village of Mas-ha in protest against construction of the separation wall. The Israeli army opened fire at the protesters, seriously injuring 1 Israeli, 24 years old, and lightly injuring 1 American.

GAZA STRIP

NORTHERN GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Erez crossing is partially open to workers:
GAZA CITY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: Shuhada' junction (Nitsareem) remains closed.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not yet reported.
KHAN YUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Abu al Ajin road (Khan Yunis Al Sharqiya) remains closed. (ii) Western road (Khan Yunis) remains closed. (iii) Abu Holi road is partially opened. • Attack: At 22:15, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from Points 11 and 12 towards civilian houses in Al Nimsawi neighborhood injuring 5 children. • Injuries: 2 of the 5 children injured in Al Nimsawi were identified: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Khalid Musa, 8 years old; and (ii) Salameh Wadi, 11 years old.
RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: Sufa crossing remains partially open to merchants and workers. • Attack: At 12:30, an Israeli APC opened intensive fire near Salah ad Din gate towards a group of civilians, injuring 1 civilian in his leg. • Raid: At 14:40, 2 Israeli APC's raided Rafah refugee camp.